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The S. S. MADURA, 1,912 Tons, 300 N.P., Commander J. R. Gavin, will be despatched on SATURDAY, the 27th February 1876, at 4 P.M.

Leaves		Feb.
Leaves	Tuticorin	28
„	Ratnagherry	27
„	Vingorla	28
„	Goa	27
„	Carwar	28
„	Mangalore	29
„	Cannanore March	1
„	Tellicherry	1
„	Calicut	2
„	Beypore	2
„	Cochin	3
„	Alleppey	4

Cargo for Singapore and China can be transhipped at this line's hence or from intermediate ports on to the Messageries Maritimes Company's steamers regularly.

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N.B.—No Cargo will be received on the day of sailing.

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The S. S. CALCUTTA, 893 Tons, 120 H. P., Commander T. Mailor, will be despatched on FRIDAY, the 25th Feb. 1876, at 4 P.M.

Leaves		Feb.	Leaves		Mar.
Leaves	BOMBAY	25	Leaves	BUSHIRE	15
„	Kurrachee	29	„	Mahomerah	15
		March.	„	Fao	15
„	Muscat	3	„	Bushire	17
„	Bunder Abbas	5	„	Linga	22
„	Linga	7	„	Bunder Abbas	24
„	Bushire	9	„	Jask	25
„	Bushire	11	„	Guader	27
„	Fao	11	„	Kurrachee	31
„	Mahomerah	11	Arrives	GUBRAT	April. 3
Arrive	UBEH	13			

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THE following or other first-class Vessels will be despatched for EUROPE:—

Vessels.	Captains.	Tons.	H.P.	Fms. 1876.
PESHAWAR	C. White	3781	600	28th—Southampton, March.
CEYLON	J. Orman	2111	450	6th—Suez, &c.
HYDASPES	D. Reno'dson	2984	400	13th—Southampton.
TRAVANCORE	W. B. Andrews	19 0	4 0	20th—Suez, &c.
PEKIN	W. Woolcott	3777	600	27th—Southampton, April
VENETIA	G. J. Babot	27 6	450	3rd—Suez, &c.
SIAM	N. W. Hazelwood	300	5 0	10th—Southampton.
LOMBARDY	E. M. Gillson	2723	450	17th—Suez, &c.
MALWA	P. S. Tomlin	2933	450	24th—Southampton.
ZAMBESI	A. Syme	2422	400	1st—Suez, &c.
DECCAN	J. D. Gaby	3429	550	8th—Southampton.

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GEORGE F. HENRY, Superintendent.

Bombay, 9th February 1876.

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GEORGE F. HENRY,

Bombay, 23rd February 1876. Superintendent.

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UTOPIA	2731	672	22nd Jan.	29th Jan.	4th March.
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Bombay, 24th January 1876.

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THE following [illegible] First Class Passenger Ste[illegible] will be despatched from BOMBAY to TRIESTE:—

	Tons.	H.P.	
JUNO,	3,194,	400,	on 16th March 1876.
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ETTORE,	2,800,	400	on 10th April 1876.
A Passenger Steamer on			10th May 1876.
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Bombay, 21st February 1876.

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CONSIGNEES of CARGO, arrived from CALCUTTA, per S.S. SCADERIA, on the 25th May 1872, are hereby informed that the Owners have recovered compensation from the Owners of the KILDARE BY, S.S., and that a sum of Rs. 6,636-8-0 has been apportioned by the Average Adjuster to be refunded to Consignees of Cargo who have contributed to the General Average, which sum will be refunded to such Consignees on presentation of their Claims to the Undersigned. If Claims be not all rendered on or before 1st April next the balance then in hand will be remitted back to the Owners.

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H. WYNDHAM BARROW,

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Municipal Offices, Bombay, 24th February 1876.

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NOTICE is hereby given, that Mr. J. K. BYTHELL, of Messrs. GODDUM and Co., has contracted to sell to Mr. SADANAND TRIMBUCKJEE KALE. All those pieces or parcels of LAND or GROUND, with the Messuages Tenements, Dwelling Houses and premises standing thereon, situate on the West side of Breach Candy, or Pallow Road, in the sub-district of Bho leshwur, without the Fort of Bombay, and which said Dwelling Houses are assessed by the Collector of Municipal Taxes, formerly under Nos 68 and 67 and now No. 67 and 68, and which said pieces of ground contain by admeasurement 8,0 square yards or thereabouts and 319 square yards or thereabouts respectively, be the same a little, more or less, and registered by the Collector of Land Revenue under No. 137, and bounded as follows:—that is to say,

The first property, formerly No. 68 but now No. 67, is bounded on or towards the East by the Public Road called the Breach Candy, or Pallow Road, on or towards the West by a public passage leading to Tarwady Cart on or towards the North by the house which formerly belonged to Purshotam Janardhanjee and now belongs to Krishnajee Vithal Limajee and by the house of Hormusjee Eduljee and Ruttonjee Rustomjee and the house of Dadabhoy Jehangerjee and on or towards the South by the house which formerly belonged to Purshotam Janardhunjee and Sonabai, Widow of Janardhun Ramchunderjee, and which now belongs to the said vendor and is next hereinafter mentioned and which property is at present unoccupied.

And the second property, formerly No. 67 and now No. 66, is bounded on or towards the East by the said Breach Candy, or Pallow Road, on or towards the West by the Tarwady Lane, on or towards the North by the property No. 68 hereinbefore mentioned, and on or towards the South by the property of Phillip Maria, and which said property is at present unoccupied.

Any person having an Claim upon the said property or any part thereof by way of Mortgage, Inheritance, or otherwise, should make the same known to me, at my Office, in No. 2, Nesbit Row, Fort, Bombay, within 14 days from the date of this advertisement, after which time the purchase will be completed without reference to any such Claim.

CLEMENT SMALE, Purchaser's Solicitor.

Dated, this 24th day of February 1876.

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A Respectable WIDOW, lately returned from England, wishes Engagement as a Nurse, or Lady's Companion; has good Testimonials. Apply to "B.," *Bombay Gazette*.

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SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENT.

ASQUITH AND COMPANY, SHIRT-MAKERS, HOSIERS AND OUTFITTERS, HAVE REMOVED THEIR BUSINESS TO 8, RAMPART ROW, THE OVERLAND KIT WAREHOUSE, BOMBAY.

BADHAM AND COMPANY'S SPECIAL KIT

FOR OVERLAND PASSENGER AND TRAVELLERS, READY FOR IMMEDIATE USE.

CASH PRICES.

	Rs.	a.
Deck Suits	10 to 16	8
Overland Suits	25	0
Warm Suits	30	0
Overcoats and Inverness Capes from	35	0
Dressing Gowns	9 to 20	0
Pyjamas	3	0
Oxford Shirts, Collar attached	5	12
White do.	4	8
French Cambric do., Collar attached	4	8
English Cambric do	4	0
Best Shrunk Flannel do.	8	0
Silk and Wool do	8	8
Spun Silk do.	11	0
Gents' Under Vests 3-8 to	6	0
Bathing Drawers	2	0
Gents' Under Pants 4 to	8	0
Gents' Cotton Socks doz.	8	8
Wm. do.	15	8
Ladies' Under Vests 4 to	6	8
Ladies' White Cotton Hose doz.	13	8
Ladies' Heather Merino Hose doz.	9	8
Childr n's White Cotton Socks from doz.	5-8 to	12 8
Heather Merino do 6-8 to	12	8
Travelling Caps	3	8
Travelling Sea-skin Caps	6-8 to	8 8
Travelling Hats	3-8 to	4 8
Cardigan Jackets, very warm	9-8 to	12 8
Sheets, per pair	9	8
Pillow Cases, each 1-4 to	2	8
Blankets, each	10	8
Long Rugs or Scotch Mauds	10 to	15 0
Razais or Quilts	5	8
Ladies' Long Wool Shawls From	22	0
Portmanteaus or Overland Trunks	12-8 to	23 0
Solid Leather do	49	0
Extra Large do	75	0
Black Hide Bags	11	8
Extra large do	24	0
Gladstone Bags	35	0
Travelling Writing Cases fitted	11	4
Gents' Bags, fitted complete	72	0
Ladie's Carriage Bags, fitted complete	58	8
Gents' Dressing Cases	11	8
Soiled Linen Bags, all sizes	5 to	6 0
Cash Bags	6	12
Courier do 4-8 to	12	8
Money Belts	2-8 to	6 8
Sovereign Boxes	3 to	4 8
Tiffin Baskets fitted 16 to	22	8
Air Pillows	5	0
Travelling do	1	8
English Feather do	7	8
Do. Horse Hair do	7	8
Folding Camp Bedsteads	35	0
Cork Mattresses	19	8
Cotton do.	15	0
Rug Straps	1-8 to	2 8
Waterproof Coats	10	0
60-Inch Drab Twill Waterproof Sheeting	6	0
42-Inch White Waterproof	4	8
Linen Collars	0	12
Linen Collars doz.	6	0
Cambric Handkerchiefs	5	0
Warm Gloves	1	8
Mits	1	8
Mufflers	2	12
Fur, cap	1	0
Sailors' Knot	1-8 to	3 0
Windsors for Bow or Ring	1-8 to	4 0
Pillows for Travellers covered Wicker from	11	4
Pocket Filters	2	12
Air Tight Uniform cases	23	0
Sponge Bags	1	8
Sponges	8	8
Soap Boxes	1	8
Smelling salts, per bottle	2	8
Aromatic Vinegar per bot	2	0
Tooth Brush Guards	0	10
Do. Brushes	0	10
Nail Do.	0	12
Hair Brushes and Combs in Pigskin case	9-8 to	12 8
Razors, Ivory Handles	3	8
Do. Strops —	3-8 to	5 8
Nail Scissors	1-8 to

COMMERCIAL INTELLIGENCE

THURSDAY EVENING, 24TH FEB. 1876.

YESTERDAY'S Liverpool Cotton Market report gave the tone at the close as dull, Surats very dull, sales 12,000 bales. Prices on the spot were unaltered, and to arrive we do not hear of any actual sales but there were still sellers at previous quotations.

This morning's market opened unchanged, probable sales 10,000, actual imports 3,000 bales.

From New York, yesterday's telegram quotes Mid-Uplands on the spot still at 13½ cents: May shipment 13 1/16 cents per lb. Gold and Exchange on London are unaltered.

The receipts at the ports to date are as follows:—

	1876	1875	1874
Wednesday's Receipts.....	19,000	12,000	15,000
Five days' "	58,000	54,000	73,000
Total since 1st Sept.	3,250,000	2,879,000	3,022,000

In the Manchester Piece Goods Market there has been a better demand at reduced prices, but the extent of the reduction is not mentioned. The London General Produce Markets are unchanged in every respect.

Consols this morning are quoted at 94¼; French Rentes at 103¾.

IN STERLING EXCHANGE to-day, without any assignable cause except the extreme scarcity of bills, there has been a very weak feeling with a decline in rates of ¼d. per rupee. It is just possible that there may be private advices in of a further drop in Silver, but to our thinking the depression now is less owing to anticipations of a further fall in Silver than to the limited extent of export business doing. What with the fall in the price of Cotton and the reduced export it seems not unlikely that the amount required to finance the crop will fall short of last season by something like 4 millions sterling and it is not to be wondered at therefore if exchange is more depressed than would be warranted merely by the rate at which funds can be laid down. We quote:—

Bank Bills, on demand	... 1s. 8¾d.	per Rupee.
Ditto, 6 months' sight	... 1s. 8¾d.	"
Credits, 3 months' sight	... 1s 8 13-16 to ¾d.	"
Documents, 3 months' sight	... 1s 8 15-16d.	"

On Calcutta a considerable business was done yesterday afternoon in demand at 1/16 premium which is still the quotation. Of 60 days' sight there are no sellers, but the nominal quotation continues to be 99⅝. GOVERNMENT PAPER is very dull at purely nominal rates, say:—Fours, Rs. 101¼; Fours-and-a-half, Rs. 102½; Fives-and-a-half, 105¾.

The SHARE MARKET to-day has been dull as a general rule with only a small business doing. Bank shares are unchanged as also are Press Companies with the exception of Mofussils which are again Rs. 10 lower. Spinning and Weaving Scrip is steady, the only changes we hear of being an advance of Rs. 5 in Great Easterns and Orien ... respectively. Colaba Land Co.'s shares are ... per at an advance of Rs. 5 and Bombay Bur... Trading are Rs. 10 higher.

... P. Railway stock continues to advance ... to the drop in Exchange, £20 scrip being ... noted at Rs. 268.

... is pretty much in the same position as ... yesterday, although there is perhaps rather ... enquiry at lower rates. The comparatively limited supplies from up-country however prevent sellers from meeting the market so that they might otherwise be inclined to do, and the business doing is therefore small. Receipts here yesterday were 4,086 bales, making 21,466 bales for the six days.

FREIGHTS continue very dull with a still downward tendency. For Liverpool steamers 32s. 6d. is the rate asked, but shippers hold off for 30s., and as there is a considerable quantity of tonnage available in proportion to the cargo going forward, the latter figure seems by no means unlikely. By sail we still quote £2-2-6 per ton for Iron ships.

PIECE GOODS are unaltered in every respect. The enquiry is most insignificant and rates nominally the same.

BOMBAY BILL AND STOCK LIST.

BANKS.

Number of Shares	Nomd. Value p. sh.	Last Dividend.	Banks.	Cash Rates per Share
	Rs.	p. s.		
500,000	100	all 7p.ct.	Agra Bank	95
25,000	1,000	all 10 do.	Bank of Bengal	1,400xd
20,000	500	all 5 p.ct.	Bank of Bombay New...	700
4,000	1,000	all 8 do.	Bank of Madras	1,200
20,000	250	all 9 p.ct.	Chartered Mercantile Bank. of L. & China	275
40,000	92½	all Nil.	Hong. & Shanghai Bank	95
40,000	400	all 5 p.ct.	Chartered Bank of India and China	190
40,000	250	125 5 do.	National Bank of India.	108
40,000	250	all 12 do.	Oriental Bank.....	495

PRESS COMPANIES.

120	5,000	2,850	200 ps	Akbar Cotton Press Co...	1,450
300	2,000	1,100	85 ps	Albert Co. Kurrachee...	760
1,000	1,000	1,000	ps	A. Albert Ginning Co.	650
250	1,000	1,000	...	Alfred Mills Co.	1,105
4,000	49,000	11,000	425 ps	Apollo Press Co.....	1,900
150	...	all	...	Bellary	175
150	500	all	65 ps	Berar Company (New) ...	490
200	250	all	43 ps	Indian Press Co.	285
2,000	100	64 p.ct.		Bivach Cotton Co.	100
400	1,500	all	75 ps	Carwar Co	850
200	250	all	....	Coconada Press Co	
900	1,000	all	100 ps	Colaba Press Co	2,000
500	300	all	Nil.	Dho lera P. & C.	75 xd
1,000	1,000	all	100 ps	East Indi	
154	1,000	all	Rs.400	Fort	2,000
300	2,000	2,000	15 ps	P	855
200	500	all	100 ps	Fo	425
1,250	...	1,400	100 ps	Imperi	425
2,250	400	650	45 ps	Mofussil & Gin ning Co.	370
600	2,000	5,000	...	Nicol Press Manufac... Co. Ld.	1,250
120	...	1,500	250 ps	Prince of W. Press	700
200	500	all	100 ps	Sassoon's Press Co	560
1,000	750	45	ps	Schnde Press Co.	445
1,000	750	...	...	Schnde & Punjaub Cotton Press Co., Limited....	975 xd
120	250	all	12 p.c.	Victoria Cotton Gin and Press Co	800xd
450	1,000*	..	125ps*	Volkart's United Press Co.	925

* Per share, for the year.

SPINNING AND WEAVING COMPANIES.

60	1,250	all	100*	Alexandra Spinning.....	1,150
60	1,000	all	150*	Alliance Spinning	2,700
70	2,000	all	...	Shownuggur M. & P. Co.	1,400
400	1,000	all	70*	Bombay United	1,090
600	1,000	750	100*	Bro ch Mills	700
200	1,000	all	100 ps	Dhurumsey Spinning ..	995
2,500	1,000	all	60p s	Fleming S. W. Co.....	905
1,250	1,000	all	80ps*	Great Eastern	1,080
2,000	500	all	...	Bombay Hemp & Jute Mill Co	250
700	1,000	all	80p.s	Hindustan S. W. Co.....	1,000
750	1,000	all	65p.s	Jeewraj Balloo Mills	995
...	500	...	...	Khandesh Spinning	80
800	1,250	all	Nil	Madras Spinning	1,050
...	500	...	...	Madras U. Spinning	1,015
2,500	100	all	70	Manockji Petit's	1,140
1,250	1,000	all	100ps*	Morarjee Spinning.....	1,120
4,000	250	all	40ps*	Oriental	240
1,000	1,250	250	...	Prince of Wales Spinning	625
2,500	1,000	all	...	Sasso n S. W. Co.....	850
1,000	1,000	1,000	200p s	Soonderdas Spinning ..	935
600	1,000	300	125ps*	Do. Do. 1/4 share.	300

* Per share for the half-year.

RAILWAY COMPANIES.

£20	215*0*8	p. s.	G. I. P. Railway Consolidated Stock	268
£20	103*14*6	do.	Do. New £20 Shares.....	136
£20	65* 7*3	do.	Ditto	72
£20	21*13*1	do.	Ditto	23
£100	1,000	do.	B.B. & C.I. Railway Co.	1,100
£18	190*5*15	do.	Do. New Shares.....	245

LAND COMPANIES.

1,000	2,000	all	50	Colaba Land Co.....	1,085
1,000	150	all	...	Frere Land & Pier Co. Ld	85
1,750	5,000	2,000	20 p.s.	Mazagon Land	600
5,000	1,400	all	15 do.	Port Canning Land Company, Limited;	215

MISCELLANEOUS.

1,000	19,500	1500	240ps.	Bombay Burmah Trading Corporation	1,890
1,000	50	all	4½ pct.	Bombay Gas Company	6
2000	1,000	all	...	Bombay Saw Mill Co...	700
500	500	90	30ps.	Landing & Shipping Co. of Kurrachee, Ld.	200
2,150	200	100	8 p. s	Malabar Company, Ld	90
5,000	50	all	4 ps	Mechanics' Build'g Co...	31
1,250	50	2	2 ps	Treasher & Co.....	400
...	250	all	40 ps	Vicgas Patent Slip	82

BOMBAY BARODA AND CENTRAL INDIA RAILWAY.

Statement of Traffic, for week ending 19th February, 1876.
Open, 430½ Miles.

	Rs.	a.	p.
Coaching	50,247	0	0
Merchandize	92,627	0	0
Telegraph	524	0	0
Total Rs.....	1,43,398	0	0

Corresponding week in February 1875.
Open 430½ Miles.

	Rs.	a.	p.
Coaching	54,477	0	0
Merchandize	81,969	0	0
Telegraph	1,52	0	0
Total Rs.....	1,38,498	0	0
Increase Rs.....	4,900	0	0

SHIPPING INTELLIGENCE.

THE SHIP SESTRUX, 1,922 tons, Captain T Davis, arrived in harbour yesterday from Cardiff (October 23rd), with a cargo of 1,471 tons coals. The vessel is consigned to the Captain.

THE A. H. LLOYD'S Co's s. s. MARS, 1,345 tons, Captain M. Druscovich, will sail to-day for Trieste &c, via the Suez Canal with a general cargo and Colonel F. J. Travers as a passenger for Marseilles.

THE s. s. ALABAMA, 1,161 tons, Captain S. Green, arrived in harbour on the 23rd instant from Cardiff, calling at Malta, Port Said and Suez, via the Suez Canal with a cargo of 1,569 tons coals. The vessel is consigned to Messrs M'Culloch, Beyts and Co.

THE P. AND O. Co.'s s. s. BANGALORE, 1,310 tons, Captain W. B. Hall, which arrived in harbour on the 23rd instant from Aden and Suez, with English mails and the following cargo:—29 packages twist, 336 packages beads, 30 packages piece goods, 1 package honey, 8 packs agra bhoy asbole, 4 boxes specie, 40 barrels flour, 5 bags cotton seed, 228 boxes silver, 8 cases colours, 5 cases sal from, 229 packages merchandize and some packages for transhipment for different ports.

THE ANCHOR LINE s. s. EUROPA, 1,737 tons, Captain John Mackay, sailed yesterday for Liverpool via the Suez Canal with a general cargo and the following passengers:—For Liverpool—Major General and Mrs. R Green and two children, Mrs. Little and two children and ayah, Miss Allen and E. F. servant, Revd Mr. and Mrs Hoskins, Master Hoskins and child, Mrs. Saunders, Infant and ayah, Mrs Murray and two children and E. Nurse, Lieutenant and Mrs. Fulford and two children, Mrs and Master Osmberlidge and child, Mr. H. A. Russell, Mr. and Mrs. Williams and infan, Lieutenant H M. Lewes, Mrs Stack and infant, Revd Mr. A. Sely, Mr John Rivers, Mr. and Mrs A. J. Cowan and child, Mrs. Little's E.F servant, Mr. Holson, Mr. and Mrs Phillips Propes, Mr. R. H. Causin, and Mr. W. Cundell. For Suez—Rev Mr. and Miss Bramist.

ARRIVALS.

Feb.	Vessels.	Commanders.	From.
23	H M S Osborne	Durrant	Trincomalee, Feb 19.
	Alabama (s).....	Green	Cardiff
24	Bertaux	Davis	Cardiff, Oct 23.
	Puttialla (s).....	Crowden	Kurrachee.

DEPARTURE.

Feb.	Vessels.	Commanders	Destination.
24	Europa(s).....	Mackay	Liverpool.

The Steamer Madras, Druscovich, to Trieste, &c, obtained her port clearence yesterday.

The following vessels were entered out for loading yesterday:—Ship Governor Tilly, to Liverpool, London and Hull. Barque Excelsior, to Falmouth.

CALCUTTA.

ARRIVALS.

Feb.		
20	Indus (s) ..... Stewart	Southampton, Jan 13.
	Goa (s) ..... Dickenson ...	Bomba , Jan 19.
	Clyde ..... Teasdel	Melbourne, Dec 5.

DEPARTURE.

Feb.		
20	Procurseur (s).....	.....

MADRAS.

ARRIVALS.

Feb.		
20	D. of Devonshire(s).	Calcutta.
	Backia Lutchmy	Cocanada.

DEPARTURES.

Feb.		
20	Africa (s)	Bombay
	Merkara (s)	Calcutta.
21	Asia (s)	Rangoon.

DAILY IMPORTS.—FEBRUARY 24.

FROM LIVERPOOL.

Branksome Hall s—3 casks glass-ware, Jaffer Rumull.
Palm s—50 kegs red lead, Tirpall Cama; 2,727 bundles hoop iron, The New East Press Co.
Bengal s—2 hhds portwine, Manockjee Bhicajee.

FROM LONDON.

Nizam s—60 cases claret, Cutler, Palmer and Co.
Cathay s—61 cases sherry, Cutler, Palmer and Co.
Bokhara s—20 cases sherry. Cutler, Palmer and Co.
City of Baltimore s—3 packages sherry. Cutler Palmer and Co; 40 cases claret, Julia, Sheffield and Co; 44 cases old tom, M and E Rezenjee; 101 casks Bass' beer, D D Shah; 60 casks beer, Nusserwanjee Asmundiarjee.
Atalanta s—109 packages glassware, Darashaw Curaetjee.
Europa s—4 packages earthenware, Bharmull Bhima.

FROM BORDEAUX.

Batavia s—50 cases claret, Cutler, Palmer and Co; 25 cases brandy C Bounevialle and Co.
Arabia s—15 cases brandy, C Bounevialle and Co.

DAILY EXPORTS.—FEBRUARY 24.

FOR LIVERPOOL.

Varuna—170 bales cotton, Finlay, Scott and Co; 400 bales cotton Volkart Brothers; 100 bales cotton, Bhugwanjee Chutoorbhooj; 13 bales cotton, Askern Khungar; 50 bales cotton, Ritchie, Steuart and Co.
Menvelah s—4 bags gram, Gova Kutchranee; 165 bags myrabollams, Hajee Osman, Hajee Sidick; 27 bales wool, Nundram Bheeraj; 30 bales wool, Peal, Cassels and Co; 27 bales wool Godam Hossen Currimbhoy; 26 bales cotton, Tyabjee Brothers; 21 bales cotton, Motilal Rathee; 72 bales cotton, Govindram Dwarkadass; 50 bales cotton, Finlay, Scott and Co; 490 bars gail, Nuthoo Soondeej e; 18 bales cotton, Ewart, Latham and Co.
Persia—126 cwts coir yarn, Sewjee Lalljee.
Scio s—1,900 bags myrabollams, Ralli Brothers; 23 bales wool, Shamjee Hurmusjee and Co; 100 bales cotton, E-mail Abdool Remon; 150 bales cotton, Killick, Nixon and Co; 104 bales cotton, Goculdass Cullianjee; 65 bales cotton, Khimjee Moolljee; 36 bales cotton and 105 bales wool, Cullianjee Pitamber; 1 bales wool, Khimchund Purmanund; 28 bales cotton, Gangjee Nanjee.
Brankesome Hall s—650 bags myrabollams, and 300 bales cotton, Ralli Brothers; 120 cwts coir yarn, Veerchund Hemraj; 300 cwts horn, Ruzubully Allyruza; 2 2-5 bales cotton, Finlay, Scott and Co; 500 bales cotton, and 3334 bags linseed, Killick Nix n and Co; 100 bales cotton, Hurrydass Thakersey; 1,067 bags linseed, W and A Graham and Co.
British Ambassador—100 bales cotton, Knoop and Co.

FOR LONDON.

St Olaf s—15 cwts horns, Hasu um Noormahamed; 33 cases dry ginger and 11 bags ambshulde, Jaitha Callia jee; 50 cwts coffee, Cursonjee Vullinjee; 97 cwts horns, Woomchhoy Chandabhoy; 4 bales hides, Dhrumsey Vellje; 9 rolls coir matting, K Lupi and Co; 314 cwts horns, Dawoodbhoy Hassum; 10 bales carpets, Chooralall Monmohundass Peshawar s—75 bags rapeed, Ralli Brothers; 34 pieces E teeth, Nuthoomull Motichund.

FOR SHARPNESS.

Aberaman—10,000 bags linseed, Killick, Nixon and Co.

FOR HAVRE.

Rajpoot—100 bales cotton, Finlay, Scott and Co.

FOR MARSEILLES.

Mars s—1,520 bags teaseed and 700 bags groundnuts, Ewart, Latham and Co; 28 bales cotton, A C Dady and Co; 12 bags wheat, 152 bags groundnuts, and 1,000 bags gingelly seed, Finlay, Scott and Co; 200 bales cotton, Jules, Siegfried and Co.
Persia s—354 bags gingelly seed, A Kunkler and Co.
Standard s—500 bags gingelly seed Ralli Brothers.

FOR VENICE.

Tcherkask s—2 rolls coir matting, R Lupi and Co; 100 bales cotton, Knoop and Co.

FOR TRIESTE.

Tcherkask s—100 bales cotton, Vinay and Co; 200 bales cotton, Nusserw nje Manockjee and Co; 100 bales cotton, Wallace and Co; 6 bales cotton, E Spinner and Co.

FOR GENOA.

Persia s—6 bales cotton, Knoop and Co.
Tcherkask s—100 bales cotton, Knoop and Co.

FOR HONGKONG.

Mongolia s—167 bales cotton, Nurse Kesowjee and Co; 26 bales cotton, Goolam Hossen John M hamed; 100 bales cotton, Dayabhoy Hassan and Co; 31 bales cotton, Cursetjee Bomanjee and C; 20 bales twist, Ramdass Khimjee and Co; 25 bales twist, Morarbhoy Vizbhooram; 50 bales twist, Adam Esmail and Co; 10 bales cotton, Cowasjee Jamsetjee; 23 bales twist, The N D P S and W Co; 100 bales twist, Curimbhoy Ebram; 75 bales twist, E D Sassoon.

METEOROLOGICAL OBSERVATIONS.

GOVERNMENT OBSERVATORY, COLABA.

BOMBAY, 23rd FEBRUARY, 1876.

Means of observations taken at 6 a.m., 10 a.m., 2 p.m., 4 p.m and 10 p.m.

Barometer corrected 32 deg. Fah	29 850
Temperature of the Air	76 6
Wet Bulb Thermometer	69 5
Dew Point	66 2
Relative humidity of Air	0 718
Extent of cloudy sky (the whole sky clouded=3).	1·2
Maximum temperature of air (read at 9-30 a.m. on following day)	81·0
Minimum do. do.	70·4
General Direction of wind....	NNW, NNE, NNW, NW.
Movement of wind in 24 hours	225

HIGH COURT.—25TH FEBRUARY.

Before the Honorable the CHIEF JUSTICE and the Honorable Mr. JUSTICE GREEN.

Appeals for hearing and final disposal.

635-71—Macfarlane and Skipsey—Sobsbai, widow and another vs Rahimbhay Hajibhbay—Part heard.
822-71—Macfarlane and Skipsey—Sonebai widow and another vs Ahmedbhay Hubibbhoy and another—Rimington, Hore and Langley.
854-67—Jefferson and Payne—Soomar Ahmed and others vs Hajee Esmael Hajee Habib—Macfarlane and Skipsey.
1018-67—Jefferson and Payne—Soomar Ahmed and others vs Hajee Esmael Hajee Habib—Macfarlane and Skipsey.
93-75—Prescot and Winter—Cowerjee Meghjee vs Sha Poona Asoo and others—Tyabjee and Sayani.

Before the Hon'ble Mr. JUSTICE BAYLEY.

LONG CAUSES.

556-75—Jefferson and Payne—H H The Begum of Bhopal vs The G I P Railway Company—Hearn, Cleveland and Lee-Warner—Part heard.
45-75—Mr Pollock—Khuluk deena Khalfanbh y vs The Advocate General, &c. and another—Remington, Hore and Langley and Hearn, Cleveland and Lee Warner.

Before the Honourable Mr. JUSTICE PINHEY.

Suits for hearing and final disposed.

LONG CAUSES.

625-75—Hearn, Cleveland and Lee-Warner—Mohunjee Damjee vs Gunzechurn Sewpursad—Rimington, Hore and Langley—Part heard.
474-75—Mr Fletcher—Nanabhoy Ramchunder vs Pandoorung Hurrychundji and another—In person.
557-75—Janardhun and Ghandibhoy—Pudumsee Nursey vs Chugan Khoosal—Shapoorjee and Thrudass.
463-75—Prescot and Winter—Ludwig Knoop and another vs Sha Bhoja Malo and others—In person.
502-75—Fletcher and Smith—Mahomed Hajee Ahmed vs Shamjee Poonja and another.

MILITARY INTELLIGENCE.

ARRIVALS.—FEBRUARY 22.

Bell, Surg Major, Bombay Med Dept, on leave, from Dharwar.
Smurray, Lieut Col, Bombay R A, on duty, from Belgaum.

DEPARTURES.—FEBRUARY 23.

Clarke, Lieut, Bombay R A on leave, from Poona.
Nari , Major, Madras Staff Corps, from furlough, from England.
Watson, Major, Bengal 2nd Regt N I, on duty, from England.
Ashbee, Qr Mr, Bombay R A, on leave, from Kirkee.

FEBRUARY 24.

Walker, Vet Surg, Bengal Hussars, on Med Board, from Meerut.
Day, Surg Major, Bombay 5th Regt N I, on leave, from Poona.

DEPARTURES.—FEBRUARY 24.

Clarke, Lieut Col, Bombay R A, from leave, to Poona.

BOMBAY GOVERNMENT ORDERS.

(*Bombay Government Gazette*, February 24.)

MILITARY DEPARTMENT.

Sub-Condr J Townsend, of the Bengal Comst Dept, is allowed to proceed to Europe, on the Furlough Regulations of 1868, in anticipation of the furlough which will be granted to him by the Govt of his own Presidency.
Col C J S Gough, C B, Comdt of his own Presidency Cavalry, is allowed to proceed to Europe, on medical certificate, under the Furlough Regulations of 1868, in anticipation of the furlough which will be granted to him by the Govt of his own Presidency.
The undermentioned Officer is allowed furlough to Europe for two years, on medical certificate, under Rule 9 (Note 2) of the revised Furlough Regulations of 1868:—
Lt S A Barclay, 2nd Bombay Wing Sub, 28th Regt N I.
Senior Apothecary C J Grose, Subordinate, Medl Dept, Bengal, is allowed to proceed to Europe, on medical certificate, under the Furlough Regulations of 1868, in anticipation of the furlough which will be granted to him by the Govt of his own Presidency.
Lt and Asst Commissary W C Tarle on, Barrack Dept, Mhow Circle, is granted a retiring pension of Rs 175 per mensem.
The undermentioned Officer is allowed furlough to Europe for two years, from the date of departure in March next, under Rule 9 of the Furlough Regulations of 1868:—
Col J S Keogh, C B, Comdt 15th Regt N I.
The undermentioned Officers have been permitted by the Secy of State for India to return to duty:—
Capt F A Bedingfield, Infantry, and Lt-Col A H Davis, Infantry.
The undermentioned Officers have been granted extensions of leave for the periods specified:—
Capt J Bonnaville, Infantry, 2 weeks, P A, and Col J S Trevor, R E, 6 months, P A, M C.
The permission to return to duty previously granted to the Officers, and notified in G G O No 60, dated 25th Jan 1876, to hold good.
The services of Capt M Toole (Unattached) are replaced at the disposal of H E the C-in-C.
The undermentioned Officer is allowed furlough, to Europe for two years, on medical certificate, under Rule IX of the Furlough Regulations of 1868:—
Lt-Col A Fairlough Regulations of 1868:—
The undermentioned officers, Bombay Infantry, Depy Asst Commissary Genl, is allowed furlough to Europe for two years, from the date of departure in April next, under Rule 9 of the Furlough Regulations of 1868:—
The undermentioned Officer is allowed furlough to Europe for eight-en months, from the 17th April next, under Rule 9 of the Furlough Regulations of 1868:—
Capt J Jordo, M B, on medical charge, Poona Horse.
The undermentioned Officer is allowed furlough to Europe for one year and 121 days, from date of departure in April next, under Rule 9 of the Furlough Regulations of 1868:—
Maj T E Stanley, Staff Corps.
The undermentioned Officer, having completed twenty years' service, to be from the date specified, subject to H M's approval:—
Staff Corps—Capt William Thomas Brown, 9th Feb 1876.
The undermentioned Officer, having completed twenty-six years' service, to be Lt Col from the date specified, subject to H M's approval:—
The following arrangements are confirmed:—
Mr Apothecary Sidik Cassim, No 36 in charge Dockyard Medical Dispensary, to afford medical aid to the Officers and Crew of Indian Govt Steam Vessel Quantang from 11th Feb 1876, inclusive.
Mr S C Saldanha, Genl No 188, Hospital Apprentice, attached to Indian Govt Steam Vessel Quantang, proceeding to join the Gun Boat Hugh Rose in the Persian Gulf, was provided with a second class passage on board the British India Steam Navigation Company's Steamer Umballa from the 11th Feb 1876.

ECCLESIASTICAL DEPARTMENT.

The following appointments are made:—
The Revd J H F Blunt, Chaplain of Deesa with Aboo, to act as Chaplain of Poona during the absence, on sick certificate of the Revd G A F Watson, MA.
The Venerable C H Leigh-Lye, MA, to act as Chaplain of St Paul's Poona, during seven weeks of the three months' privilege leave of absence granted to the Revd S Stead, MA. The other two Chaplains of Poona to undertake the duty at St Paul's for the remaining portion of the Revd Mr Stead's absence.
The Revd W Wingate, MA, appointed by H M's Principal Secy of State for India a Junior Chaplain on the Bombay Ecclesiastical Establishment, is admitted to the service from the 12th inst, the date of his arrival at Bombay, and is appointed to act as Chaplain of Deesa with Aboo.

MARINE DEPARTMENT.

Staff Corps—Major Charles Frederick Keays,—20th February 1876.
The under-mentioned Officer is allowed furlough to Europe for one year and 31 days' from date of departure in March next, under Rule 9 of the Furlough Regulations of 1868:—
Surg-Maj H Day, M D in medical charge, 5th Regt N L I.
Serj James Charde, Unattached List, employed in the Qr-Mr Genl's Office, is promoted to Sub-Condr, with effect from the 19th Dec 1875.
Brgdr Genl R Phayre, C B, Comds the Nusseerabad Brigade, commanded the Mhow Division of the Army from the 24th Dec 1875 to the 6th Jan 1876, during the absence, on duty to Calcutta, of Maj-Genl Montgomery, C S I.

POLITICAL DEPARTMENT.

Honry Surg George Sinel is resumed charge of his duties as Civil Surg at Kolhapur on the 10th inst.

JUDICIAL DEPARTMENT.

Lieut T R M Macpherson, to act as Dist Supt of Police in the Tanna Dist until further orders.
Mr W J Holland to act as Asst Dist Supt of Police in the Ahmedabad Dist until further orders.
Capt A B Portman to be Dist Supt of Police in the Tanna Dist from the 3rd March 1876, the date of Col Cole's vacating his appointment in the Police.
Capt G H F Codrington to be Dist Supt of Police in the Belgaum Dist, but to continue at Sholapur until Mr Giertzen takes up his appointment at Poona.
Capt C Hay is confirmed as Dist Supt of Police in the Dharwar District.
Mr H L Cameron to be Dist Supt of Police in the Kaladgi District.
Mr H Kennedy to continue to act as Dist Supt of Police in the Kaladgi Dist until further orders.
Mr R H Vincent is confirmed as Dist Supt of Police in the Shikarpur District.
Capt C D F Payne is confirmed as Dist Supt of Police in the Colaba Dist.
Mr H J H Henderson is confirmed as Second Grade Asst Dist Supt of Police from the date of Col H Pope's vacating his appointment in the Police, and to be Asst Dist Supt of Police in the Ratnagiri Dist.
Mr J E Cowan to be First Asst Dist Supt of Police in the Khandesh Dist, vice Mr Vincent, but to continue to act as Dist Supt of Police in the Ratnagiri Dist until further orders.
Rao Saheb Gopal Amrat received charge of the Second Class First Grade Sub Judge's Court at Chiplun, in the Ratnagiri Dist, on 9th ult, vice Mr Gell.
Rao Saheb Bapuji Santaji de ivered over charge of the Second Class, Second Grade, Sub Judge's Court at Amalner in the Khandesh District, on the 1st instant, before office hours; and Mr Gopal Venayak Bhanap received charge of that Court on the 9th idem, before office hours.
Mr A Lyon to act as Judge and Sessions Judge of Khandesh until further orders.
Mr S N Tarore to act until further orders as Judge and Sessions Judge of Ahmedabad, but to continue at Hyderabad until relieved.
Mr J W Walker to act as Judge and Sessions Judge of Ahmedabad until relieved by Mr Tarore, or until further orders.
The Hon A R Scoble, Advocate Genl, is allowed leave to Europe, on medical certificate, for fourteen months and one day, from the 9th February 1876, under the Leave Rules of 1858.
Mr John Marriott, Barrister-at-Law, to act as Advocate-Genl during the absence of the Hon A R Scoble, on until further orders.
L E W P Kennedy, Acting Second Asst Political Resident at Aden, is appointed to be a Mag of the first class under Sec 37 of Act X of 1872.
Mr A Cumine, Supernumerary Asst to the Collr of Tanna, was in charge of the executive duties of the Office of Dist Supt of Police Tanna, from 8th Nov to 1st Dec 1875, both days inclusive.
Messrs W H Newsam and C H Walker respectively delivered over and received charge of the Office of Judge and Sessions Judge at Ahmedabad on the 18th inst, after office hours.
Mr G Druit received charge of the Office of Asst and Joint Sessions Judge at Ratnagiri, on the 14th instant, before office hours.
Rao Saheb A D Pillen, Actg Asst Judge and Sessions Judge at Ratnagiri, availed himself, from the 14th instant, of the two months' privilege leave granted to him in Government Notification dated 19th Jan 1876.
Rao Saheb Mangeshrao Balwant is confirmed as Second Class, First Grade, Subordinate Judge at Kalyan, in the Tanna District.
Mr W S Hewlett is confirmed as Second Class, Second Grade, Subordinate Judge at Panwel, in the Tanna Dist.
Rao Saheb Ganpatrao Krishna Bhatvdekar is confirmed as Second Class, Second Grade, Subordinate Judge at Dasgaon, in the Ratnagiri District.
Rao Saheb Rashinath Balkrishna Marathe to be Second Class, Third Grade, Subordinate Judge at Talegaon, in the Poona District, vice Rao Saheb Gajanan Krishna Bhatvadekar.
Rao Saheb Krishnamukram Atmaram to be Second Class, Third Grade, Subordinate Judge at Sinnar in the Tanna District.
Mr Ramchandra Dinker Paranjpe to be substantive pro tem second class, third grade, Subordinate judge at Yeola, in the Nasik District.
Mr Meherjibhai Kuvarji to be substantive pro tem second class, third grade, Subordinate Judge at Murbad in the Tanna Dist.
Mr Gopal Vinayek Bhanap, BA, LLB, to act as second class, first grade, Subordinate Judge at Bhusawal in the Khandesh Dist during the absence of Mr T Moore, or until further orders.
Baron Cecil Larpent and Mr G Ayerst respectively delivered over and received charge of the Offices of Judge and Sessions Judge at Poona and Agent for Sirdars in the Deccan on the 15th instant, after office hours.

REVENUE DEPARTMENT.

Mr G W Vidal, Acting first Asst Collr of Satara, is allowed subsidiary leave not exceeding 30 days, from the 15th proximo, under Section 15 (a), Chapter V of the Civil Leave Code, Second Edition.
Mr L Reid Comr of Customs and Opium, is allowed privilege leave of absence for one month.
H E the Governor in Council is pleased to make the following appointments:—
Mr H E Jacomb, to act as Comr of Customs and Opium and Reporter Genl of External Commerce during the absence of Mr L Reid, or until further orders.
Mr J King to be Talukdari Settlement Officer, Gujerat.
M G H D Will on to be First Asst Collr of Kaira.
Mr W A East to be First Asst Collr of Kaladgi, continuing to act as First Asst Collr of Satara until relieved by Mr J K Spence, and when Mr G W Vidal takes leave, to act as First Asst Collr of Satara.
Mr J K Spence, on being relieved of his appointment of Acting First Asst Collr of Belgaum, to act as First Asst Collr of Surat, vice Mr East.
Mr J A Baines to be Supnmry Asst Collr of Colaba.
Mr J G Hamilton to act as Second Asst Collr of Ratnagiri vice Mr W Woodward, during the absence of Mr W B Mulock, or until further orders.
Mr W Allen to act as Second Asst Collr of Tanna during the absence of Mr Johnston, or until further orders.
Mr W S Forman to be Second Asst Collr of Satara, continuing to act as Supy Collr in the Ratnagiri Dist until further orders.
Mr Keshawrai Hiralal, Huzur Deputy Collr of Khandesh, has been allowed privilege leave of absence for two months from 14th inst.
Mr W H Propert, C S, has been allowed subsidiary leave for 30 days from 30th June 1876 under Sec 18 (b), Chapter V of the Civil Leave Code, Second Edition.
Mr R T Wingate, Asst Supt, Southern Maratta Country Revenue Survey, is promoted from the third to the second grade of Asst Supt, with effect from the 12th Dec 1875.
Mr W H Propert, C S, is allowed, under Section 18, Rule 3, of the Civil Leave Code, Second Edition, an extension for four days, viz, from 26th Feb to 3rd March 1876. The subsidiary leave for 30 days granted to him under Govt Notification of the 21st inst.
Mr H Woodward, Supnmry Asst Collr, Khandesh, is allowed privilege leave of absence for two months and 26 days from the 13th prox.
Mr A K Nairne to act as Collr and Mag of the Dist of Ratnagiri until further orders.
Mr W W Loch to act as First Asst Collr of Tanna during Mr Nairne's absence or until further orders.
Mr A F Woodburn to act as Second Asst Collr of Ahmednagar until further orders.
Mr G W Macpherson, Actg Second Asst Collr of Poona, is allowed privilege leave of absence for three months from the 10th prox.

GENERAL DEPARTMENT.

Asst Surg K R Vikaji is allowed nine months' leave without pay under Sec 8 and 14 Supplement F, Civil Leave Code, 2nd Edition, in continuation of the three months' privilege leave granted to him from the 29th Nov la t.
Surg-Maj W P Partridge, Presy Surgn, 3rd Dist, rejoined from Europe, is granted subsidiary leave from the 13th to the 17th Jan 1876, both days inclusive.
Lt J W Wray, Actg Second in Comd, Sawant Wari Local Corps, and Rev C Kirk, Chaplain of Nusseerabad, have passed the prescribed examination in the former in the Gur

SPECIAL TELEGRAMS FOR THE BOMBAY GAZETTE.

THE AFRIDIS.

LAHORE, 24TH FEB.

The local paper states that the Afridis continue to be troublesome; they have blocked the roads and plundered three villages.

OFFICIATING APPOINTMENTS.

Mr. Rivaz is appointed officiating Secretary to the Financial Commissioner; Mr. M. Macauliffe is to be Deputy to the Commissioner, Mr. Montgomery.

[REUTER'S TELEGRAMS.]

RESCUE OF THE SURVIVORS OF THE STRATHMORE.

A telegram just received from our Agents at Galle gives the following account of the rescue of the survivors of the Strathmore:—

The Sierra Morena, bound for Kurrachee, has put in here and landed twelve passengers and eight crew, part of the survivors of the Strathmore, of Dundee, a new iron ship of 1,472 tons, on her first voyage from London to New Zealand, wrecked on the 1st July last year on one of the Uronet islands, in the Southern Ocean. The above mentioned and 24 others were taken off the island on 22nd January last by the American whaler, Young Phœnix, in a wretched condition. On the 26th January, the Young Phœnix then fell in with the Sierra Morena and transferred the twenty persons who landed to-day. Owing to scarcity of water she could not take more. The names of the three first class passengers landed here are—Mr. Spencer Joslem, Mr. Frederick Bentley and Mr. George Crombie. The four first class passengers on board the Phœnix are—Mrs. Wordsworth, Mr. Charles Wordsworth, Mr. Alfred Walker and Mr. Hilton Keith. The Captain and Chief Officer of the Strathmore were drowned. The Second and Third Officer were saved.

THE ARMY ESTIMATES.

LONDON, 23RD FEB.

The gross total of the Army votes for 1876-77 is £15,250,000 against £14,625,000 in 1875-76, the net increase being £625,000 comprising the sum of £179,000 under the head of Regimental Pay.

NEW DECORATIONS.

The Rt. Hon. Sir William H. Gregory, Governor of the island of Ceylon, has been gazetted a Commander of the Order of St. Michael and St. George. The Colonial Secretary, Arthur [illegible]rch, Esq., and the Auditor General; J. Douglas, Esq., have been gazetted Companions of the same Order.

RUSSIA IN CENTRAL ASIA.

ST. PETERSBURG, 23RD FEB.

Intelligence received here from the Russians in Khokand announces that the Russian troops entered the capital of Kookand on the 20th instant.

THE INCOMING MAILS.

ADEN, 24TH FEB.

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how rendered necessary by the change of carriages and consequent halt at Raichore, will not be required; Government have directed the Consulting Engineer for Railways to ascertain, without loss of time, whether the arrangement referred to is one that can be carried out between the Madras and the Great Indian Peninsula Railway Companies: in which case the Bombay Government will be requested to discontinue building operations at Sholapore.

MR. F. W. KELLY, of the Survey Department, has published a "Hand-book of Practical Surveying for India: especially designed as a guide and book of ready reference for district officers, planters, municipalities, courts of wards, and landholders and for the use of surveying classes." This book is designed to include a large number of the well-to-do members of the community amongst its purchasers, and as it is amply illustrated with plans, diagrams and such like those who are experienced surveyors may refresh their knowledge by an occasional reference to its pages and those who as planters, or landholders may be regarded as amateur surveyors, as doubtless they sometimes must be, will find they can obtain valuable assistance by studying practical surveying as they find it delineated in Mr. F. W. Kelly's very useful Hand-book.

WE learn from the *Englishman* that Mr. J. C. Geddes, C.S., proceeds to Assam to take up the duties which Colonel Agnew, the Judicial Commissioner, will vacate next month. Colonel Agnew retires from the Assam Commission after a service of unusual length and of great public usefulness. The question of altering the title and emoluments of the post has been under consideration. The Judicial Commissioner of Assam is practically the Civil and Sessions Judge of the districts of the Upper Brahmaputra; just as the Judge of Sylhet is, in the "Assam" districts south of the Garo and Jaintiya Hills. It has been suggested that the present change of incumbents might be taken advantage of to do away altogether with the anomalous title of Judicial Commissioner. Meanwhile, we believe, that Mr. Geddes will succeed to the office as it now exists. The Assam Commission is fortunate in being able to tempt away from Bengal so excellent an officer.

THE *Madras Mail*:—We note that Dr. Russell, telegraphing from Lahore to *The Times*, on the 23rd ultimo, went out of his way to remark that "a contrast is drawn between the lavish contributions of the natives to entertain the Prince and the smallness of the European contributions." This is a most ungracious-looking of a gift horse in the mouth. The inference is a lawful one, in the absence of any remark to the contrary, that Dr. Russell but echoes a comparison drawn by the Prince himself, for we do not remember seeing it made in any newspaper. Madras, at any rate, may and does feel disappointed that her costly and most troublesome arrangements for the Prince's entertainment have been fruitful of nothing more than a paltry pencil-case, a pair of links, a riding-whip, two or three scarf-pins, and—thanks. The Prince of Wales has not, by his own acts, shewn that the contrast made by Dr. Russell between European and native liberality may not be extended to European and native Princes. We quite agree with the *Broad Arrow* that so unique an occasion as the visit of the Heir-Apparent should be signalised by an unique liberality in conferring honours on representative men in this land.

THE Raneegunge coal fields which caught fire some two years ago are still burning. Several changes have been made in the management of the Raneegunge Coal Association which do not appear to have improved the prospects of the shareholders or to have put out the fires. The *Indian Daily News* supplies a few particulars of the condition of the coal fields in the following paragraph:—"The fires in the several mines still burn, though not all of them dangerously. The old workings of the Equitable are still on fire, but there is not much probability of harm being done. The Sooree road, which fell in from the fires some time ago, is a complete wreck, with fearful chasms in the middle of it. No attempt seems to be made to restore the road, or to make a new one. People are surprised that the magistrate does not see either to one or the other; for really the present state of things is discreditable to the administration. The road is not only destroyed at the place indicated; but for a couple of miles or so, in either direction, is sadly in need of repair. It tells its own story, but no official seems to visit the place [illegible] see for himself. It is now [illegible] years since the road fell in[illegible] no attempt to repair it. So[illegible] Equitable people wanted to [illegible] piece of land belonging to th[illegible] pany, a few biggahs only, [illegible] allowed to do so. The [illegible] Rs. 10,000 is said to have be[illegible] as well that the mines are not paid, for one fire is extending in that direction, and the land may at no distant period share the fate of the Sooree road. It is over an old working that has been abandoned for some years. The fire in what are known as the native mines still smoulders, and if the owner does not keep a sharp look out, the fire may reach his working mines, not to his advantage.

MR. ROBERTS, for some years past a prominent member of the Calcutta Bench of Justices, and distinguished for very strenuous opposition to the powers that be in municipal matters in the City of Palaces, but holding office as an Uncovenanted Servant, has unfortunately come under the 55 years' rule, and the Lieutenant Governor of Bengal is said to be inclined to get rid of an old enemy by making him comply with the rules of his service. The *Englishman* makes the following remarks on the case:—"We learn with much satisfaction that the heads of the leading mercantile firms in Calcutta have remonstrated with the Lieutenant-Governor on the order to remove Mr. J. B. Roberts from the service. This officer, although in the prime of life and public usefulness, comes technically within the 55 years' rule. But when that rule was framed, the power of relaxing it was formally entrusted to the Local Government. It has been invariably relaxed when the public usefulness of the individual official concerned justified the exception. The case of Mr. Roberts is, we conceive, a typical one of the case for which such exceptions were designed; and the public would not easily be convinced that in his case the rule is enforced in the public interests. It would be bad taste and inexpedient for all the parties concerned, to do more than allude to the private complication between Mr. Roberts and the official element in the Municipal body, or to the personal motives to which the ill-timed rigorous enforcement of the rule is commonly assigned. We hope and believe that Sir Richard Temple will listen to the remonstrance which has been addressed to him. For the dismissal of an officer so much esteemed by his fellow-citizens for independence of action and speech in the direction of their Municipal affairs, would at the present juncture be almost certain to be misinterpreted. It would lead people wrongly to suppose that Government was throwing down the gauntlet, and giving the city a foretaste of what an independent Justice or Commissioner had to expect under the coming regime. And it would needlessly intensify the bitterness of the struggle which, at this moment, is assuredly impending between the capital of India and the Government of Bengal.

SAUSAGES.

[illegible] have had both opportunity and inclination to cultivate personal interests in high quarters, which all the others have been unable to undertake in virtue of their distant appointments. We hold that seniority and service should always be respected, and if coupled with other qualifications, should *command* a preference. "M. R. C. S." is most unreasonable and personal in his strictures upon *used up old* Surgeons-Major. Many of these gentlemen are the best surgeons in the Army, and only want the opportunity to prove themselves quite equal to their *juniors*, and *seniority* with high professional acquirements most undoubtedly should have the preference. The other correspondent "W," of the *Times of India*, cannot be answered in *his own style*; but his championship of Dr. Hughes does him credit, not that Dr. Hughes will thank him for again informing the public that his appointment was ever questioned, but because he repeats your own remarks that his appointment was simply discussed because he was so junior, while it is notorious in the service that there were two or three others all equally, if not better, qualified for the post, and were all senior to him. It is equally notorious in the service that the *junior rank* of the Professors in the Grant Medical College is attracting attention, and I have distinctly and frequently heard the remark you quoted the other day, that the Principal preferred young men because he could manage them better, and this carries with it but one inference. "W." seems most perturbed in spirit regarding the Grant Medical College being converted into an Invalid Establishment for *broken down* regimental surgeons, and we are sorry that there is such a want of calmness in his criticism as to proclaim himself a *personality* or a partisan of the *juniors*. But he need not feel alarmed on that point, the Government are quite equal, to the occasion and His Excellency the Governor is not likely to appoint a junior to the detriment of a senior with equal qualifications in this instance. I have looked over your files and can find no announcement—which he says you have made—regarding Dr. Mackenzie's successor. I would advise "W." to be less agitated in correspondence and more accurate in future, he has no basis on this occasion entirely missed his mark. In the filling up of this appointment much jealousy is certain to be evinced, and ungenerous words used, but the gentleman whom the profession—outside Bombay—have concluded will be appointed to succeed Dr. Mackenzie is *not* a junior man, but is of the same service as Dr. Mackenzie; his professional qualifications are undoubted and his reputation as a clever surgeon is established beyond question. I am sure this appointment will give great satisfaction to the Bombay Medical Service.

Bombay, 24th Feb. G.

THE UNIVERSAL FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE "BOMBAY GAZETTE."

SIR,—The failures of disreputable concerns like the "London and Mediterranean Bank," the "Albert" Life Insurance, the "European" Security Insurance Company, and such like have ruined half Bombay, and we now find heartrending instances, like Dr. Sinclair's, who placed his trust in the "Albert," and whose family is now quite unprovided for. It becomes, therefore, the duty of newspapers in India to bring to the notice of the public companies who may bring ruin to those that trust them, if they attempt by incomplete or false statements to obtain the patronage of the public.

Let us now see whether the "Universal Fire Insurance Company" may be classed among them. Messrs. William Watson and Co. took into print to defend this company against remarks of the *Insurance Monitor* which were but too true. Now what do they allege in contradiction thereof:—

1st. That these strictures are *old*!

They are dated 8th May 1875, and if no newer have been given, it is simply because since that day *no* accounts have been issued by the company.

2nd. The *registered* capital is one million, but they acknowledge that this is merely a nominal only 100,000, say, *one-tenth*, is *subscribed*! Then, what means really the one million in the policies? Am I right in saying it is merely a bait?

3rd. They say more shares are steadily placed! Now, I ask you, Sir, who are so well acquainted with the present financial position in England and the Continent, that there is any likelihood that a company which has issued such accounts as those under review, which are no worse than the former ones, is likely to have its remaining shares or any portion of them taken up by fair means, at par, and by *bona fide* shareholders? Messrs. Watson wisely refrain from stating how many shares have been taken up since 1874.

4th. The paid-up capital [illegible] £60,000! I quote below part of the report of the directors read at the meeting of the shareholders held on April 30th, 1875, and I ask you whether this appears from it? But at any rate it is certain, that whatever capital they may have had it is lost, with the exception of about £10,000! A large capital, indeed, for an insurance company! And, moreover, the journal he quotes says there is [illegible] *considerable* losses *since this statement*!" How much they don't say! Is it to the extent of their last [illegible],000?

5th. The income earned in 1875 was £40,000! We must rely upon Messrs Watson's word for this, as no accounts have been published since 1874; but I ask again where is the company to get the guaranteed capital, or more correctly, with no guaranteed fund whatever, would be likely to obtain a *desirable* business to that extent, when we know by their own showing that *before* their disastrous [illegible]on was known, their annual income was [illegible] £10,000, and has been reduced by the directors [illegible] to £5,000 for their expenses in 6 months were £3,140. (See the article from the *Insurance Monitor* quoted yesterday.)

With [illegible]s. Watson for the company are, and what [illegible]invested funds [illegible] the company consist of! This little bit of information would [illegible]ence me at once.

Till this has been done let me warn millowners and agents and owners of property in Bombay, not to be fooled by low rates of premium, until they are satisfied of the position of the company they trust all their fortunes to, and I shall repeat with the editor of the *Insurance Monitor* that the last and the previous statements of profit and loss *are calculated to alarm the most sanguine shareholder* and insurer too, I say.

SECURITY.

* The capital account was set out at £20,132, whereas the actual capital then paid was £18,323 only.

These and other discrepancies converted a said-to-be profit of £366 15s., as stated in the balance sheet, into loss of £1,802 12s. 1d.

The asset of £2,951 7s. 4d. under "sundry debtors, agents' balances," &c., was partly made up of sums represented as being in the hands of agents, which, in truth, had no existence.

This unsatisfactory state of things rendered it necessary to open guarantee accounts, a policy that has been successfully carried out, a number of treaties having been completed with other companies, by which the lines carried by this company are limited, and we are thus enabled to conduct our business with security.

Your directors were, however, overtaken by many serious losses during the time of their negociations with other companies for such treaties (which necessarily occupied much time and care in their adjustment); and not one of the least of the difficulties attending the completion of such treaties was the knowledge by other companies of the reputation which, under the late management, the *Universal* had unfortunately acquired for itself.

The losses which, therefore, were payable under the company's policies having to be borne by the *Universal* without any assistance by other companies, produced the unsatisfactory state of things which the present statement shows. In order to meet the difficulties attendant upon this position of the company, your directors preferred to meet the requirements of the policyholders by subscribing amongst themselves rather than making calls upon the shareholders, and so met the requirements by paying up the majority of their shares; and this has been done by them alone to the amount of £16,860, which amount has since been increased by the directors' contributions of £2,800.

Your directors, however, have pleasure now in informing you that since the date of the present statement, and under proper guarantee arrangements and treaties with other companies for reciprocal business, the company's interests are progressing favourably; and that, although they have sustained considerable losses since the date of the present statement, they have a fair share of such losses receivable under their treaty arrangements.

† The before-mentioned balance sheet of the 25th April set out that the premium income was about £10,000 per annum, without any arrangement for guarantee with other companies, thus necessitating large and uncertain lines being held by the company. The first duty, therefore, of your directors was to reduce the risks within reasonable li[illegible]by so doing, and declining a large amount of [illegible]ness left on the books, the premium income was [illegible] £10,000 to about £5,000 per annum—a [illegible]h they feel bound to felicitate the [illegible]me instances the company was actually [illegible]by guarantee, to the extent of £10,000 [illegible]ring it possible in one day to lose the [illegible]ompany. As an instance, under the [illegible]may mention that in two instances [illegible] to pay upwards of £5,000 without [illegible]nder guarantee.

INDIAN NEWS-LETTER.

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)

JUBBULPORE, CENTRAL PROVINCES, 21st FEB.

THE question of good elementary schools for Protestant children assumes a very important aspect in our large inland stations and cantonments. As a rule the Roman Catholic clergy and sisterhoods provide a very fair curriculum for the rising generation; but, at the risk of being considered uncharitable, it seems natural to suppose that Protestant youth of both sexes must be considerably influenced by the example, and possibly by the teachings of the Romish Church in such educational institutions. To meet a difficulty of this nature in Jubbulpore, we observe the establishment of a boys' school in connection with the Church of England. Several influential residents have entered cordially into the scheme and under the fostering care and attention of the Chaplain, Mr. Gray, I believe the school will soon make its mark. The services of a good man have been secured to give the institution a start, and I hail the arrangement with great satisfaction. I think there is also ample field for the opening of a similar school for girls.

There is no danger to be apprehended of the school being a rival to the excellent establishments already in existence in connection with the Government and the C. M. Society, which are almost entirely attended by natives.

The local residents are in a state of great excitement about the Calico Ball about to come off here on the 25th instant. The *durzee wallas* must be driving a fine business, while poor Paterfamilias groans under the extraordinary exactions required to meet the demands of our *soi disant* Dukes and Duchesses, Mogubs and Frenkas. To anticipate there will be more drowned heads, knights, soldiers and sailors than would be required to stock a decent Lunatic Asylum. Once more Napoleon III. will hobnob with righteous William, and the English flower girl will sweetly smile on some Chippeway Indian. But I leave the depicting of the fairy scene to some local Jenkins.

The ball will be preceded by the Jubbulpore Sky Races for 1876 under the auspices of General Hume and an influential Committee. The honorary secretary is Mr. Abbott, engineer officer in charge of the G. I. P. Railway works.

BOMBAY.

THE ESPLANADE BANDSTAND.—The Band of the 2nd Queen's will play at the Bandstand, Esplanade, this evening, at 5-30.

ASSAULT.—Abdool Raymon was yesterday fined Rs. 3 by Mr. Dosabhoy Framjee, at the Girgaum Police Court, for assaulting Rajub Peerbux.

A LAWYER'S FIRM.—We learn that the firm of Messrs. Hearn, Cleveland, and Lee-Warner has ceased to exist; and that the business of it will be henceforth carried on under the name and style of Messrs. Hearn and Cleveland.

STATEMENT OF SILVER BALANCE IN THE MINT.—The value of silver in the Mint on the morning of the 14th February 1876 was Rs. 25,79,378; add Rs. 16,175 silver received during the week. Rs. 1,00,000 in new coin were paid during the week; the balance left was Rs. 24,95,553. There is in addition 11,86,000 rupees' worth of silver bullion belonging to private individuals deposited in the Mint vaults and awaiting assay.

FATAL ACCIDENT.—A Coroner's inquest was held yesterday at Boree Bunder on view of the body of Govind Luximon. The deceased was a calassee, aged twenty-four years, employed on board the barge belonging to the Bombay Landing and Shipping Company. Upon the evidence adduced the following verdict was returned by the jury:—"That the death of the deceased was caused by injuries received by his having been accidentally jammed between an iron pile and the beam of the barge on which he was working."

MORTUARY RETURNS.—The total number of deaths registered during the week ending Tuesday, 22nd February, was 555, being 35 more than in the preceding week, 121 more than the total of the week ending 23rd February 1875, and 188 more than the mean of the corresponding period in the preceding five years. During the week 228 births were reported in the different districts of the city. The deaths from small-pox were 176, or 34 more than last week, against 2 in the corresponding week of last year, and an average of 20 in the preceding five years. The rate of mortality per 1,000 of the population was 43·17.

AN INDECENT ASSAULT.—A Parsee, named Nusserwanjee Ruttonjee, was yesterday charged before Mr. C. P. Cooper, at the Fort Police Court, with assaulting and using criminal force against the person of Goolbai, a Parsee girl, with the intent to outrage her modesty. Mr. Ardaseer Byramjee Kapadia appeared for the defence and applied for an adjournment on the grounds that he had not been sufficiently instructed on behalf of the defence. The Magistrate acceded to this request and adjourned the hearing to this day, the defendant being allowed to be held to bail in the sum of Rs. 2,000 in his own recognizance and two sureties of Rs. 1,000 each.

THE DAVENPORT BROTHERS.—A correspondent suggests that the Davenport Brothers should lower their prices of admission and makes the following appeal for this boon:—"I can assure the world-renowned Brothers that by throwing open their performances to the masses of the people they shall not only have bumper houses for a week or two, but shall also be gratefully remembered here in Bombay for many many years to come. A great majority of those who belong to the upper and middle walks of life have already enjoyed the wonderful entertainment afforded by the Brothers, and it is now only the lower classes of people that remain to appreciate it and be lost in admiration of it. I hope the Brothers have too much charity in them to disappoint the people on whose behalf I write."

THEFTS.—The following cases of thefts were disposed of yesterday at the Fort Police Court, before Mr. C. P. Cooper:—Govind Shewa, an old offender, was convicted on two separate charges of theft of wearing apparel, belonging to two different parties, and was sentenced to an aggregate term of twelve months' hard labour in the House of Correction.—Munna Gungajee, for stealing two brass plates belonging to Gunnoo Govinds, was sentenced to one month's hard labour in the Common Jail.—Gowree, woman, for stealing a *saree* belonging to Rummee, woman, was sentenced to two weeks' hard labour in the Common Jail. At the Girgaum Police Court yesterday, the following cases of thefts were disposed of before Mr Dosabhoy Framjee:—Mahomed Jaffer, for stealing two pigeons belonging to Shaik Ally, was sentenced to six weeks' hard labour in the Common Jail.—Cosmo Frances, for stealing a fowl, the property of Ragoo Bapoo, was sentenced to one month's hard labour in the Common Jail.

ANOTHER FATAL ACCIDENT.—A Coroner's inquest was held yesterday at the J. J. Hospital, on view of the body of Gungaram Goverdun. The deceased, it appears, who was about eighty years of age, while passing along the Pinjrapole Lane, a bundle of old mats was thrown out of a window on the upper storey of the house he was passing, which fell on to the deceased's neck and knocked him down. He was removed to the above hospital where he expired yesterday morning from the effects of the injury he had thereby sustained. Upon the evidence adduced the following verdict was returned by the jury:—"That the death of the deceased was caused by concussion of the spine the result of a bundle of mats having accidentally fallen on him. Yesterday, at the Fort Police Court, the two men, named Tookaram Monaba and Soobajee Mahadew, who were engaged in throwing the bundles of mats out of a window on to the public road at Pinjrapole, were charged before Mr. C. P. Cooper with wilfully causing danger to the deceased Gungaram Goverdun in a public way on the 22nd instant. The case is postponed for hearing to the 3rd proximo, the prisoners being held to bail in the sum of Rs. 1,000 each in their own recognizance and one surety each for the same amount.

DEATH OF THE YOUNG PRETINIDDEE.—We regret to hear of the death of Jeevunrao *alias* Bhow Saheb, the eldest son of Punt Pretiniddee, which took place on Saturday last at his residence. Last week we had to chronicle three deaths within a month amongst the Sirdars of the Deccan, and we have now to chronicle the fourth, which is that of this young Pretiniddee.—*Poona Observer.*

SMALL-POX IN KURRACHEE.—We regret that some inaccuracies should have crept into our article last Saturday on the exceeding laxity displayed by the port authorities in keeping watch over vessels entering this harbour from the Red Sea and Persian Gulph quarters, where epidemic diseases prevail to an alarming extent at times, and whence they are apt to be imported. The statements we made regarding the B. I. S. N. Company's vessels, we are assured are without foundation, for not a single case of small-pox has, up to date, occurred on board of them. The Arcot was, we learn now, put in quarantine for one day only, a servant of the Chief Engineer of the vessel having been supposed to have been attacked by small pox; he was sent to the shed at Manora by direction of the subordinate medical officer at that place, who had visited the man; on Dr Hopkins, however, examining him, that gentleman pronounced the case to be other than it was represented to be, and ordered the withdrawal of the quarantine. The case of the unconvented official who was a passenger in a B. I. S. N. Company's vessel from Bombay, appears not to have been an imported one, as the party alluded to arrived here, we are told, perfectly well, although our informant admits that symptoms of small-pox showed themselves the day after his arrival. We regret that we should have misrepresented matters so far as they bore on the B. I. S. N. Company's vessels, but we see no reason to alter our opinions in regard to the neglect shown by the Port authorities in the enforcement of quarantine rules. Can it be denied that buglas, and such like native craft from the plague spots in the Red Sea and Persian Gulf, are allowed to enter the harbour without being made to go through the ordeal of a medical inspection?—*Sindian.*

TO-DAY'S CONCERT AT THE TOWN HALL.

WE would remind the public of the Concert which takes place this afternoon, in the Town Hall, commencing at half-past five o'clock; payment at the doors one rupee. This Concert, following closely on the recent highly successful one, promises, nevertheless, to be even more effective than that was, and will doubtless create a strong feeling in favour of a repetition of these popular entertainments as often as practicable. We hear that owing to an arrival in Bombay one of the attractions of this Concert will be a duet in which our favourite baritone will take part.

SMALL-POX IN BOMBAY.

THE number of small-pox patients under treatment yesterday morning in the several hospitals, and the number of admissions, discharges and deaths in each hospital from Wednesday morning to yesterday morning was as follows, viz:—At the J. J. Hospital 80 under treatment, 4 admissions, 3 discharged, and no deaths. At the Gocouldass Tejpal Hospital, 12 under treatment, 2 admissions, no discharges and no deaths. At the European General Hospital 10 under treatment, 2 admissions, 1 discharged and no deaths. The total number of deaths from small-pox registered yesterday was 26, of whom there were 18 Hindoos, and 8 Mahomedans. These deaths occurred in the following localities:—Lower Colaba, 1; Fort, 2; Market, 1; Mandvie, 1; Chuckla, 2; Comercarry, 4; Dhongree, 1; Dhobie Talao, 1; Funneswady, 1; Bhooleshwur, 3; Kharra Talao, 2; Coombarwada, 1; Girgaum, 3; Camateepoora, 2; and Parel, 1.

Holloway's Pills.—Sick Headache.—Thousands suffer from this worrying annoyance when the body and brain are depressed in warm damp weather. Holloway's purifying Pills present a ready means of cure for indigestion, biliousness, and flatulency; in debilitated constitutions and nervous habits these Pills are the best restorative; they correct all the unpleasant consequences of torpidity of the liver, they remove constipation, and never fail to secure regular action. For all abdominal ailments Holloway's Pills are the safest possible medicine, they at once give ease and comfort, and naturally strengthen the whole series of organs concerned in the process of digestion, and will be found useful in every household.

PORTRAIT OF THE PRINCE OF WALES.

WE have received from Messrs. Wheatley, Madden and Co., a coloured picture with a photograph of the Prince of Wales in the centre surrounded by Indian subjects. The colouring is decidedly warm, as perhaps in an Indian picture it ought to be; but the likeness of the Prince is excellent. The price per copy is only Re. 1—remarkably cheap, we think, considering the labour which has been spent upon the picture.

ARRIVAL OF THE OSBORNE.

THE Royal Yacht Osborne, which left Calcutta on the 11th inst. in company with the Serapis, but was detained at Trincomalee, in order to coal, arrived in Bombay Harbour at five o'clock yesterday afternoon. The Osborne has on board a small menagerie, consisting of a full grown panther, two fine bog deer, two Burmese ponies, two cheetah cubs, and four couples of hounds; and it is expected that additions will be made to it before she leaves Bombay, which she is expected to do, with the Serapis, on the 12th of March.

THE ROYAL PROGRESS IN INDIA.

To the Editor of the "Times."

SIR,—At one of the pantomimes the other day, on account allusion being made to the magical effect which the Prince of Wales's gracious and engaging manners had had on the Princes and Chiefs and people of India the whole house responded with such an outburst of spontaneous and sympathetic applause as I have never before witnessed in a London theatre. It was most moving and cheering, as expressive at once of the popular appreciation of the Prince's frank and genial character, and of the striking and significant political results of the Royal progress in India.

But from the first—while the Prince has passed from one triumph to another and been everywhere received in India with an enthusiasm which has surprised and delighted the people of England—a fear has been entertained of the possible inadequacy of the presents given to the Native Princes, at least of their disproportion to those received by his Royal Highness from the Princes, and thereby of the great political success of the Royal progress being marred. It is most satisfactory, therefore, to find that it is now known, on authority, in India that there will in fact be no great disproportion between the presents given by the Prince and those received by his Royal Highness. The value of the whole of the presents received by the Prince will not much exceed £40,000, and the value of the presents given by the Prince will nearly amount to £40,000. It may, however, be necessary under this head to apply to Parliament for a supplementary grant of £20,000, whereby raising the sum of the appropriation on account of the Prince's personal expenses from £60,000 to £80,000.

The value of the English goods ordered by the Princes of India to furnish their palaces for the reception of his Royal Highness amounts, on a careful calculation, in London alone to fully £250,000; and the taste which the Prince's visit will create among the higher orders of the Natives of India for English fancy good will, it is thought, permanently increase the export of the productions of English skilled labour—of the "Sidonia wares" of London, Birmingham, and Staffordshire—to India. In the person of the Prince "the schoolmaster is abroad" in India. But I do not dwell on this shopkeepers' appraisement of the Royal progress. It is in the opinion of those best informed on India, impossible to exaggerate the beneficial political influence of the Prince's visit. He has completely won the admiration, respect, and loyalty of all classes. The key to it is given in a remarkable observation of the Rajah of Vizianagram,—"His Royal Highness is to the Viceroy as the Divinity to His symbol." And this strong tie, which the Prince of Wales's visit has created, of personal loyalty to himself, if wisely cultivated, will do more than anything else gradually to convert the feudatory Princes and Chiefs into real pillars of the British Empire in India.

AN INDIAN.

COLONEL NASSAU LEES AND THE "BOMBAY GAZETTE."

(Times of India.)

WE are authorised to contradict the statement made by the *Bombay Gazette* in yesterday's issue on the authority of an authentic source" that Colonel Nassau Lees has determined to settle in Bombay and take editorial charge of this journal. Colonel Nassau Lees leaves Bombay in a few weeks, having already taken his passage in the P. and O. steamer Hydaspes, which sails for Europe on the 13th proximo. This fact the editor of the *Gazette* might have ascertained in a few minutes had he been in any way desirous of learning the truth before he penned the paragraph under notice, but probably the very last thing the editor wished to know; as we have no doubt whatever that the "authentic source" alluded to was the same as that upon which he so often draws when he indulges in offensive personalities—his own inventive brain. What our contemporary imagines that he will take by inserting in the journal he so conducts, false statements, the malice of which is quite as transparent as their bad taste is self-evident, is to us a puzzle. If he fancies that by so disreputable a means it is possible for him to increase his languid circulation, all we can say is that in our humble judgment he is miserably mistaken. There is an immeasurable difference, let us inform him, between the Society gup that is current in the columns of *Reynolds' Newspaper*, a fact which our contemporary, judging from his grossly impertinent remarks upon the private Ball recently given at the Byculla Club, has, apparently forgotten, if indeed he was ever aware of it. Whatever may have been the literary merits or demerits of Mr. Reynolds as the Editor, of Clara Addison *nee Vere de Vere*, or of any of the other contributors to this journal, such has been the mediocrity, in this respect, of the contributions to other journals in this city, that they have sufficed to enable the *Times of India* to distance the *Bombay Gazette* in the race. We have made the pace too fast for our esteemed contemporary, who, having shot his bolt, has fallen back lame, but not where—as we mean to continue it—we doubt not that without resorting to "punishment" we shall leave him. Advertisers have found this out, as may be seen from the outer sheet of this daily issue; and *hinc illæ lacryma*. It is not privileged to those who lose to laugh, except at the wrong side of their mouths, and we venture to think that the advertisers of Bombay, who are quite as astute as sportsmen elsewhere, will not augur from the awkward grimaces which the editor and proprietor of the "most prosperous journal in India" occasionally makes, under the false impression that they will injure or annoy the proprietors or the editor of this journal, that he rides a winning horse. We believe, moreover, that the advertising classes of Bombay, independent of having a keen eye to business, have as high and honourable a sense of fair dealing, good taste, and good feeling as any other class of the community of Bombay, and that any amount of misstatements made from malicious or spiteful motives will do us no harm. On the contrary, in reminding our contemporary that very old saying generally applied to good little boys who too readily follow the bent of their own inclinations, "Go on and prosper, we have to give him this consoling assurance, that if he will only "go on," we shall most certainly "prosper."

FIRST CRIMINAL SESSIONS.

SIXTEENTH DAY, THURSDAY, 24TH FEBRUARY.

(Before the Hon. SIR CHAS. SARGENT.)

AN OFFSHOOT OF THE AHMEDABAD CONSPIRACY CASE.

THE trial of this case was resumed before his Lordship, and the same special jury.

At the opening of the Court, Mr. Branson addressed the jury on behalf of the prisoner whom he defends. He said the evidence intended to be called for the defence would entirely meet and destroy the case set up by the prosecution. The turning point in the case was no doubt the question whether the branding charge against Abdool Raymon was true or false; and there were various considerations arising from the evidence given for the prosecution, which he thought would induce the jury to hesitate long before they said that the whole case of the branding was untrue. Supposing Abdool Raymon were standing his trial before that Court on the charge of branding, and upon the evidence brought before them, he could not see how any jury could avoid finding a verdict of "guilty;" and he certainly could not understand why Mr. Connon dismissed the case against Jeejeebhoy Dhanjeebhoy Chuggan, whose evidence as given before the Magistrate was read, and who, it was stated, could not be found, Mr. Branson said there was very good reason for supposing the prosecutor had kept him out of the way, because he would have utterly destroyed the case against the prisoners. Mr. Branson further drew attention to the fact that the charge against Hosrjee Hormejj whom he defended, was entirely different from that against the other prisoners, as he was one of the original prisoners along with Abdool Raymon, and the charge against him was therefore really one of conspiracy against himself. After Mr. Branson had carefully reviewed the evidence in a speech of considerable length, witnesses were called for the defence.

Hajee Rydena Joonas said he was a trader, and resided principally in Calcutta; but in the latter part of the year 1871, he lived in Bombay. He remembered attending a caste meeting, at the house of Hajee Moosa, in Bombay, which was held for the purpose of enquiring into a charge which had been brought against Abdool Raymon of branding his brother. Abdool Raymon then said, when asked what he had done, "I have committed a fault." The question asked him had reference to the charge of branding. The result of the meeting was that it was resolved to place the matter in the hands of the police. Abdool Raymon did not at that meeting deny that he had branded his brother; but he added, when he said "I have committed a fault," "It is my destiny."

In cross-examination, the witness said he knew the Cummoos well, and before they failed, they were considered respectable and influential members of their caste. He was staying at the Cummoos' house at the time the meeting was held. He managed the compromise with their Calcutta creditors, whom he induced to accept seven or eight annas in the rupee. He had no conversation with the Cummoos about the caste meeting, which he only attended casually, because he happened to go into the office where it was being held.

In answer to a question from a native juryman, it transpired that the literal rendering of Abdool Raymon's answer to the charge at the caste meeting, which was spoken in Katchee, was—"By me this offence has been committed; it is my destiny."

Four or five witnesses were examined for the defence, Mr. Cummoo Sulleman and Khan Bahadoor Acbar Ali being the more prominent among the rest, after which the Sessions were adjourned until this morning.

THE WATER SUPPLY TO THE SHIPPING.

Bombay, 21st January 1876.

To the Secretary, Chamber of Commerce.

SIR,—We the undersigned Shipmasters most humbly beg to bring to the notice of the Committee of the Chamber of Commerce that we observed in to-day's paper of the *Bombay Gazette* under the heading of the Bombay Municipal Corporation that Colonel Henry of the P. and O. Co. proposed to the Town Council to lay a 14 inch water main pipe at Mazagon Bunder to supply the shipping in the harbour, that being the most suitable bunder for the purpose. We strongly protest against such a proposal, as it will greatly inconvenience the majority of the shipmasters visiting this port, the distance being a mile further away from the shipping than it is at present. Mazagon, no doubt, is a suitable place for supplying water to the P. and O. Steamers only.

Instead of taking the pipe to the above place, why is it not brought down to Mody Bay, a central position for all ships and steamers. We shall esteem it a favour if you will give this your kind attention.—We have, &c.,

W. NEWMAN, S. S. RENALDS, and 18 OTHERS.

Bombay Chamber of Commerce, 22nd February 1876.

Captain W. Newman; S. S. Rinaldo, Captain James Dawson, and others.

Gentlemen,—I am directed by the Committee of the Chamber of Commerce to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 21st ultimo, in which you protest against the resolution moved by the Chairman of the Town Council that the Town Council lay a 14 inch water main pipe at Mazagon Bunder to supply the shipping in the harbour, that being the most suitable bunder for the purpose.

The ground upon which you protest against this proposal is, that it will greatly inconvenience the majority of the shipmasters visiting this port, the distance being a mile further away from the shipping than the position of the pipe from which the present supply of water is obtained. The Committee, however, are unable to discover how any inconvenience can result to shipmasters on this score, for ships, as a rule, are supplied by the Port Trust barges, and they will obtain their water quicker from Mazagon, where the pressure is greater, than from any other place. The difference of time in traversing the greater distance will be more than made up by the greater rapidity with which the barges will be filled. With regard to your suggestion that the pipe should, instead of being taken

...ened. My fireman saw it first and called my attention. I saw smoke issuing from the middle of the waggon. Between that waggon and the engine there were six or seven other waggons. On seeing the fire I made haste to go to the Mandwa station. Water was got from a nullah and we tried to put the fire out. The burning waggon had been detached from the train. Whilst we were putting out the fire, we heard some explosions in the waggon. I was inside the waggon, and jumping out on the first explosion taking place, I got in again. The waggon was nearly full at first. The kit was piled up high above my head. The explosion took place near the centre of the waggon, in the direction of the engine. Water was given to me in the waggon, and I threw it over the kit. We pulled the things out when we could not control the fire. I heard several subsequent explosions. I pulled one bundle out when matches fell out of the bundle. The things were pulled out by the engine hook. I saw a cartridge pouch, a powder flask, and some pieces of powder flasks. I cannot say whether there was anything in the whole powder flask The cartridge box was like the one now shown me. I and the guard went on with the train after it left Maadwa. I did not see any of the other waggons on fire. I went on with the same train except the waggon under which it was scarcely possible for the waggon to have caught fire from the sparks from the engine. It had a wood top. The fire could not have been occasioned by the friction of the wheels.

Cross-examined by Mr. Latham—Mr acquaintance with the train commenced from Bhosawul. We had not added on or dropped any waggons between Bhosawul and Mandwa. There was a heavy incline where I saw the fire, and we were going slower. When we first opened the waggon, the things were smouldering, but the draft fanned it into flames. The explosion did not damage me. My clothes got singed a little by the flames. To the best of my recollection the doors of the waggon on the other side were not broken open. My fireman Cursetjee also got into the waggon besides me; and we two pulled the things out. More or less the things we pulled out appeared to be all damaged. We got one box out which was locked, and which was little damaged. There were several other boxes which were on fire. I don't think the fire had been smouldering long. I had not heard any explosion before I got into the waggon. When I left the Mandwa station six or seven hours afterwards the things pulled out were lying in a heap on the platform. Some of the things were taken down to the nullah to put the fire out quicker. They were all put into the heap and were left in charge of two policemen. The waggon was entirely burnt except the iron work. The water-column was done away with, the crane was not in working order; and we were forbidden to take water from it. It was done away with before my time. I went on with the train to Khandwa and stopped there.

Re-examined by Mr. Scoble—No part of the outer wood work of the waggon was in flame when we detached it. The nullah was by the side of the water-crane at a short distance. I could run down to it in half a minute. Men were stationed in a row and passed the buckets and chatties from one to the other. I was not hit by any of the things that were disturbed by the explosion. Some of the things were burnt in the waggon, and we could not get them out. This and other cranes had been done away with to save the expense of the establishment for working them. My engine had been thoroughly repaired at the Bhosawul workshops a short time before the accident. I believe every man did his utmost to save the property from the fire.

Cursetjee Nanabhoy examined by Mr. Scoble—I was fireman of the last witness's engine in November 1872. I first saw the fire in the waggon and called the driver's attention to it.

Cross-examined by Mr. Latham—I don't know when the Bombay part of the train came into Bhosawul.

Witness was absent to answer a question before Mr. Latham had finished it.

His Lordship—All your countrymen hasten to answer a question before you have half heard it.

Cross-examination continued—The kit was piled up in the middle of the waggon up to the roof. It is a slanting roof. The kit was all piled in a level. All the things piled out were more or less on fire. When we first opened the waggon, the fire was in the middle As soon as we opened the doors vessels came tumbling down and then we saw the things. I never saw any jewels or pearls, but I saw only a few rupees. There was no looting at all the men were working. Whilst the fire was being put out Mr. Anderson, the Superintendent of Police, and Mr. Dewey came there. I don't know if Mr. Anderson came by the 9 p. m. train. Two native Policemen had arrived from Dungergaum before he did. Before the police arrived, the property was strewn all over the rail and in the nullah near the bridge. These things were still so lying when Mr. Anderson arrived and when I left. A few of the things were put on the platform: the rest were still lying about when I left.

Re-examined by Mr. Hart—The fire was still going on in the waggon when Mr. Anderson arrived. Mr. Dewey is Traffic Superintendent of the Railway: not a police officer at all. I don't remember properly whether any of the things had been placed on the platform before the police arrived.

To the Court—I saw no gun pulled out. I saw three or four match boxes drop out of a bundle. I gave them to the driver, telling him it would be useful to the company. They were common matches which could strike anywhere. There were some cloths in the bundle which were partly burnt. The match boxes had not been burnt at all. The ends of the bundles only were then burning. I saw a leather cartridge pouch like the one on the table. I did not see it in the waggon; I saw it in the hand of the station master who was standing near the waggon among the things that had been pulled out. I went into the waggon after the first explosion, which took place at the end nearest the engine.

Dewjee Bapoojee examined by Mr. Hart—I have been a brakesman on the G. I. P. Railway for the last twenty years. On the 23rd November 1872, I was brakesman of the train that arrived from Bhosawal and joined with my brake from the station of Chandnee. A waggon caught fire, and I saw it detached from the train at Mandwa. I accompanied the train at night to Dungergaum.

Cross examined by Mr. Latham—I went into the nullah and filled and handed buckets of water to the other men. It was dark when I came out. The waggon was then burnt out. That was about half-past 8 o'clock. I was called out, because water was no longer required. I was working in the nullah about an hour and a half: I got into it after sunset. At first I assisted in throwing water which was brought by other people. The train came at half-past 3 p.m. When I came out, I saw things taken out and thrown on to the ground and on the rails. A few things were thrown into the nullah.

To the Court—I did not see any gun, but I heard five or six explosions. I saw some match boxes. During my 20 years' service this was the first waggon that I saw on fire.

Narayen Roopsing examined by Mr Hart—I am station master at Mandwa station and was so in November 1872. On the 21st November I was standing on the platform, and when the train from Bombay came near the points, I saw smoke issuing. I unhooked the portion of the train which was behind the burning waggon. I saw the waggon taken to the water column and the doors forced open. The burning things were put on the ground near the water crane and afterwards on the platform. I was near the waggon while it was being unloaded, and heard five or six explosions from inside the waggon. I saw things pulled out which might accounted for the explosions. I saw one or two powder flasks among the things pulled out. Two station porters kept watch over the things to see that none were stolen. I was near the waggon the whole of the time and myself kept a look-out on the things. I did not see any jewellery or gold or silver ornaments. I saw a gun among the things the next morning. Two policemen came from Dungergaum on my telegraphing for them to the Superintendent of Police, and when they came, I left and kept them to watch the articles; and I still stayed there after they arrived. There is no village or houses near the Mandwa station except those occupied by the railway people. The superintendent of police came at 9 p.m. with 6 or 7 policemen and my superior, Mr. Dewey. Mr. Dewey is now employed on the Nizam's State Railway. The things, which were then on the platform, were made over into Mr. Anderson's charge. I remained on the platform till 9 o'clock that night. The next morning the things were packed up and taken away to Khandwa. They were made up into bundles by means of partly-burnt cloths and put into the guard's van. I believe there were some boxes. The train left Maadwa station about 10-20 A.M.

Cross-examined by Mr. Latham—Most of the things I pulled out were on fire. I cannot remember it is correct if Mr. Anderson has stated that the property was strewn on the rails and some in the nullah. I have had no conversation with Mr. Anderson about some of the things being stolen. The gun I said I saw the next day was only a barrel. I did not take it up to look at it. I think the waggon was burnt out about 9 or half-past 9 p.m. After the first two sepoys arrived, I kept my eye on the things: my porters did not. I kept my eye on the sepoys. I had no time to make a list of the things. There was work going on for three days to search for the small things in the ballast. Six sepoys were working there, and I kept a look-out.

His Lordship—That shows that the things were strewn about.

Cross-examination continued—I did not see any melted gold or silver taken out. I heard of a gold mohur being found. I did not go and look among the *debris* the next day: there was nothing to look at. There were only the ashes and the ballast. The bottom of the waggon was burnt out. The small things that were found were taken away by the havildar of the sepoys. There was water in the crane at this time, but it was not in working order; and I had not got the key with me.

Mr. Arthur Atkins examined by Mr. Hart—I am an Inspector of Police and was at Khandwa in the Railway Police on the 24th November 1872. Mr. Anderson is superior to me. On the morning of that day I had some articles made over to me as saved from the fire of the previous night. I was ordered by Mr. Anderson to make out a list. This (produced) is a fair copy of the pencil list I made.

To the court—The things were much burnt and appear to have had a certain amount of water thrown upon them. They appeared to be valuable.

To Mr. Hart—These are some of the articles that were made over to me—match boxes; a cartridge pouch with cartridges in them; nine prices of powder flasks, I cannot say if they are the same. I was directed to put the things into an empty cotton waggon. It was fastened locked, and sealed with the Khandwa station seal; and the key was given in charge of the European constable at the station. The waggon remained at Khandwa until the 21st December 1872 when I was ordered to send it on to Hurda. I opened the waggon on that date and found some of the things were missing—two gold fan handles or bouquet handles. A native police constable, who was in charge of the goods on the platform and the waggon, was convicted of stealing them and sentenced to be imprisoned for a year. Two Baroda rupees and a penknife was also stolen from the waggon, but they were to covered and replaced in the waggon. The offender was a railway policeman.

Cross-examined by Mr. Latham—When I saw the things on the 24th November 1872, they were being put in the goods shed. Mr. Anderson came up by the same train. Some things afterwards—they were nothing more than ashes which were added to the bundle of ashes. No gold mohur was sent afterwards. The day after the Viceroy left Khandwa, the European constable went into the waggon and missed the jewellery. The lock had been opened. The seal had been removed and replaced without breaking. With the heated end of a knife, the seal is easily lifted up entire, and is easily replaced in its original position. Both the lock and the seal were not found a sufficient guard against the thief.

Mr. J. W. Ballard, examined by Mr. Hart—stated that in November 1872, he was chief constable of Railway Police at Hurda, and still was so. He received charge of the things that were sent to Hurda and sent them on to Bombay.

To Mr. Latham—I fancy all the things sent from Hurda reached Bombay: I am not quite certain they did. My brother was inspector over me at the time. Mr. Atkins is now. I don't know if there was any correspondence between the police inspectors and the Begum of Bhopal.

Jeewansing Lalsing, a railway policeman at Hurda, remembered being sent on the 13th inst, from Hurda to Bombay in charge of a waggon, that was locked and sealed. It was goods waggon which had remained in his charge at Hurda about three years and a half, and was said to contain the Ranee's goods. It was made over into Mr. Conder's charge.

To Mr. Latham—The keys were not sent with me.

Mr. Latham, in answer to his Lordship, said the translation of the documents in the case was progressing very slowly, and that Mr. Flynn had kindly taken them in hand.

At this stage of the proceedings, the Court adjourned.

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BORDEAUX—RED.

		In Bond. Per 1 doz. Quarts and 2 doz. Pints, Rupees. Qts.	Pts.
CHATEAU LAFITE or MOUTON,	After Dinner	28	30
,, RAUZAN	Dinner Wine.	20	25
,, PALMER	Wine.	20	22
,, LAROSE	Dinner	17	19
,, St. JULIEN	Dinner Wines.	15	17
,, CANTENAC	Wines.	13	15

LIGHT BREAKFAST WINES.

ST. ESTREPHE, a favourite	12	14
PETIT MEDOC, excellent for Cup	8	10½
PAUILLAC	7½	

CLARET IN WOOD.

	Of about 23 Quarter Gals.	Gals. Casks.	Gals. Hdds.
CHATEAU MOUTON	285		500
,, RAUZAN	200		385
,, PALMER	175		340
,, LAROSE	140		265
St. JULIEN	110		205
CANTENAC	90		165
St. ESTEPHE	70		130
MEDOC	55		100

WHITE.

VERMOUTH	16	—
HAUT SAUTERNES, delicate flavor Red cap	20	22
SAUTERNE (Barsac), light, white cap	15	17

BURGUNDY—RED.

CHAMBERTIN, the *elite* of Burgundies	28	30
NUITS or CORTON, high class Wine	22	24
VOLNAY, strongly recommended	19	21
BEAUNE, soft delicate flavor	16	—
SPARKLING Red Burgundy	30	32

WHITE.

CHABLIS, La Montonne, fine ..... white cap	22	24
CHABLIS, light, pleasant Wine	15	17

CHAMPAGNES.

FINEST EXTRA DRY, a Wine of the highest class in great demand, gold foil	42	44
SPARKLING "Prince of Wales'" Brand	42	44
Ditto, ditto, per hamper of 24 half-pints	26	—
GIESLER'S	42	44
PINK DRY SPARKLING	36	38
GOOD SPARKLING (Star)	32	35
CARTE BLANCHE (Sibadey's), light, particularly dry	24	28
CARTE ROUGE	17	19

SPARKLING GERMAN WINES.

	Per 1 doz. Quarts and 2 doz. Pints, Rupees.	
HOCK, NONPAREIL, extra quality, dry	35	37
HOCK, MUSCATEL, very choice	29	31
EXCELLENT WINE	24	26
MOSELLE NONPAREIL, the finest quality	35	37
MOSELLE, MUSCATEL, good body	29	31
EXCELLENT WINE	24	26

STILL.

HOCK JOHANNISBERGER, superb high class Wine	40	43
,, MARCOBRUNNER	36	—
,, RUDESHEIMER	24	26
,, HOCHHEIMER, fine flavored	21	23
,, LAUBENHEIMER, a light refreshing Wine	16	19
RED HOCK ASSMANHAUSER	21	—
STEIN-WEIN in BOCKSBEUTEL	24	—
MOSELLE, BRAUNBERGER, delicate	24	26

SHERRIES.

	Per doz. Qts. Rs.
AMONTILLADO A 1, extra quality, rare old	34
AMONTILLADO choice & superior...black seal	31
REYNAL A CHOICE, pale sherry...gold seal	28
AMOROSO full flavored soft Pale...black seal	24
VINO PURO, very pale, dry ..... blue seal	22
AMOROSO, nutty and dry ..... green seal	21
MANZANILLA ..... red seal	19
PALE, medium colour, yellow seal, pale and very dry Dinner Wine	18
VINO DE PASTO, pink seal, remarkably pale and very delicate Dinner Wine	17
A GOOD DINNER WINE, in great demand, white seal	14
MARSALA, VIRGIN, pale, fine flavor	14
MADEIRA, EAST INDIA, very superior	34
MADEIRA, EAST INDIA, excellent Wine	28

GUINUNESS' STOUT.

Bottled by MOLINE and Company.
Casks containing 3 doz. qts. Rs. 5 9 per doz. Net Cash.
,, ,, 6 ,, pts. ,, 3 12 ,, ,,

SHERRIES IN WOOD AND JARS (Wickered.)

The demand for these has led us to increase our importations of the following description:—

	All in Bond in India. 4 Gals. Jar. Rs.	13½ Gals. Octaves. Rs.	27 Gals. Quarter Cask. Rs.	54 Gals. Hhds. Rs.
Amontillado, A 1	64	217	424	837
Amontillado, Black seal quality	58	186	362	714
Amoroso	46	138	267	526
Oloroso	36	105	202	394
Vino Puro	37	108	206	404
Manzanilla	34	92	175	340
Yellow seal	30	87	164	318
Violet seal	31	—	—	—
Vino de Pasto	29	82	155	300
White seal	27	63	117	224

The Quarter Casks, Octaves and Jars are very convenient for Families, and will be found most economical. Jars with Wood Taps Rs. 1½ or with Plated Taps Rs. 3½.

PORTS. In Bond.

OLD CRUSTED, very choice, (many years in bottle)	Qrs. 31	0	Pts. —	
INVALIDS' full-bodied gold Coupage	24	0	26	0
DESSERT WINE, superior Black seal	20	0	22	0
A GOOD SOUND FULL WINE, red seal	16	0	18	0
SACRAMENTAL WINES Malaga	20	0	—	

PORTS IN WOOD.

	Per Octaves. Gals.	Per Quarter Cask. Gals.	Per Hhds. Gals.
Port, red seal	77	146	280
,, black seal	90	170